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| <b>UTILITY<br/>PATENT APPLICATION<br/>TRANSMITTAL</b><br><br>(Only for new nonprovisional applications under<br>37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)) |  | <b>Attorney Docket No.</b> 706263US3   |  |
|  |  | <b>First Inventor or<br/>Application Identifier</b> Kenneth S Mack; Russell C. Fielding; Thomas S. Moore         |  |
|  |  | <b>Title</b> Convertible Cover Arrangement for Vehicle Cargo Area  |  |
|  |  | <b>Express Mail Label No.</b> EV 026312102 US as deposited on: 7/24/03   |  |
| <b>APPLICATION ELEMENTS</b><br>See MPEP Chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.                                  |  | <b>ADDRESS TO:</b> MS Patent Application<br>Commissioner for Patents<br>PO Box 1450<br>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 |  |

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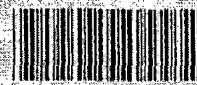
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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> *Fee Transmittal Form (e.g. PTO/SB/17)<br>(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)<br><br>2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification [Total Pages <u>17</u> ]<br>(preferred arrangement set forth below)<br>-Descriptive title of the Invention<br>-Cross References to Related Applications<br>-Statement Regarding Fed Sponsored R&D<br>-Reference to Microfiche Appendix<br>-Background of the Invention<br>-Brief Summary of the Invention<br>-Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)<br>-Detailed Description<br>-Claims(s)<br>-Abstract of the Disclosure<br><br>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets <u>10</u> ]<br><br>4. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages <u>2</u> ]<br>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unsigned<br>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63 (d))<br>(for continuation/divisional with Box 16 completed)<br><br>i. <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)</b><br><br>Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)<br>Named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R.<br>§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33 (b). | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)<br><br>6. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission<br>(If applicable, all necessary)<br>a. <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Readable Copy<br>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)<br>c. <input type="checkbox"/> Statement verifying identity of above copies |
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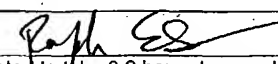
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| 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))<br><br>8. <input type="checkbox"/> 37 C.F.R. § 3.37(b) Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney<br>(when there is an assignee)<br><br>9. <input type="checkbox"/> English Translation Document (if applicable)<br><br>10. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copies of IDS<br>Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations<br><br>11. <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment<br><br>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard MPEP 503)<br><br>13. <input type="checkbox"/> Statement (s) <input type="checkbox"/> Statement filed in prior<br>(PTO/SB/09-12) application, Status still proper<br>and desired<br><br>14. <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)<br>(if foreign priority is claimed)<br><br>15. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |  |

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL**  
**For FY 2001**Patent fees are subject to annual revision.  
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| Application Number   |                |
| Filing Date          |                |
| First Named Inventor | Kenneth S Mack |
| Examiner Name        |                |
| Group / Art Unit     |                |
| Attorney Docket No.  | 706263US3      |

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- 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

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**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

| Large Entity Fee Code | Small Entity Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Fee Description        | Fee Paid   |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|------------------------|------------|
| 1001                  | 2001                  | 750      | 375      | Utility filing fee     | 750        |
| 1002                  | 2002                  | 330      | 165      | Design filing fee      |            |
| 1003                  | 2003                  | 520      | 260      | Plant filing fee       |            |
| 1004                  | 2004                  | 750      | 375      | Reissue filing fee     |            |
| 1005                  | 2005                  | 160      | 80       | Provisional filing fee |            |
| <b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>   |                       |          |          |                        | <b>750</b> |

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

| Total Claims       | Extra Claim | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
|--------------------|-------------|----------------|----------|
| 17                 | -20** = 0   | X 0 = 0        |          |
| Independent Claims | 2 - 3** = 0 | X 0 = 0        |          |
| Multiple Dependent |             | 0 = 0          |          |

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see below

| Large Entity Fee Code | Small Entity Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Fee Description  | Fee Paid      |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|--|---------------|
| 1202                  | 2202                  | 18       | 9        | Claims in excess of 20                                     |               |
| 1201                  | 2201                  | 84       | 42       | Independent claims in excess of 3                          |               |
| 1203                  | 2203                  | 280      | 140      | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |               |
| 1204                  | 2204                  | 84       | 42       | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |               |
| 1205                  | 2205                  | 18       | 9        | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |               |
| <b>SUBTOTAL (2)</b>   |                       |          |          |  | <b>(\$ 0)</b> |

**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

| Large Entity Fee Code              | Small Entity Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Fee Description   | Fee Paid      |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|---|---------------|
| 105                                | 205                   | 130      | 65       | Surcharge-late filing fee or oath   |               |
| 127                                | 227                   | 50       | 25       | Surcharge-late provisional filing fee or cover sheet                          |               |
| 139                                | 139                   | 130      | 130      | Non-English specification   |               |
| 147                                | 147                   | 2,520    | 2,520    | For filing a request for examination  |               |
| 112                                | 112                   | 920*     | 920*     | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                        |               |
| 113                                | 113                   | 1,840*   | 1,840*   | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                           |               |
| 115                                | 215                   | 110      | 55       | Extension for reply within first month  |               |
| 116                                | 216                   | 390      | 195      | Extension for reply within second month                                       |               |
| 117                                | 217                   | 890      | 445      | Extension for reply within third month  |               |
| 118                                | 218                   | 1,390    | 695      | Extension for reply within fourth month                                       |               |
| 128                                | 228                   | 1,890    | 945      | Extension for reply within fifth month  |               |
| 119                                | 219                   | 310      | 155      | Notice of Appeal  |               |
| 120                                | 220                   | 310      | 155      | Filing a brief in support of an appeal  |               |
| 121                                | 221                   | 270      | 135      | Request for oral hearing  |               |
| 138                                | 138                   | 1,510    | 1,510    | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                                 |               |
| 140                                | 240                   | 110      | 55       | Petition to revive - unavoidable  |               |
| 141                                | 241                   | 1,240    | 620      | Petition to revive - unintentional  |               |
| 142                                | 242                   | 1,240    | 620      | Utility issue fee (or reissue)  |               |
| 143                                | 243                   | 440      | 220      | Design issue fee  |               |
| 144                                | 244                   | 600      | 300      | Plant issue fee   |               |
| 122                                | 122                   | 130      | 130      | Petitions to the Commissioner   |               |
| 123                                | 123                   | 50       | 50       | Petitions related to provisional applications                                 |               |
| 126                                | 126                   | 180      | 180      | Submission of Information Discl. Stmt.  |               |
| 581                                | 581                   | 40       | 40       | Recording of each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |               |
| 146                                | 246                   | 710      | 355      | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))                   |               |
| 149                                | 249                   | 710      | 355      | For each additional invention to be examined (34 CFR 1.129(b))                |               |
| Other fee (specify) _____          |                       |          |          |   |               |
| Other fee (specify) _____          |                       |          |          |   |               |
| * Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid |                       |          |          |   |               |
| <b>SUBTOTAL (3)</b>                |                       |          |          |   | <b>(\$ 0)</b> |

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